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In re the Application of

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For: FACSIMILE DEVICE AND MEMORY MEDIUM STORING COMPUTER
PROGRAMS FOR CONTROLLING THE FACSIMILE DEVICE

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to initial examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

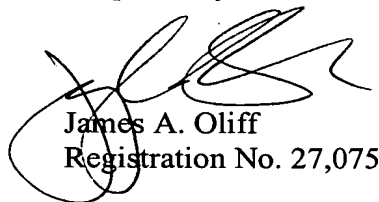
Please amend claim 3 as follows:

Claim 3, line 1, change "3" to --2--.

REMARKS

Claims 1-46 are pending. By this Preliminary Amendment, claim 3 is amended to
correct its dependency. Prompt and favorable examination is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,


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